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# REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of a Final Office Action dated July 3, 2003. In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejects all pending claims 3 through 14. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith an Amendment and Response to the Final Office Action. The amendments presented herein address grammatical errors as noted by the Examiner. Otherwise, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the outstanding objections in light of the following comments.

No additional fees appear to be required. If any fees are due regarding the filing of this Request, please charge such required fees to our Deposit Account No. 13-0265.